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**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors
County of Orange**

CONSENT CALENDAR

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Constitutional Rights Foundation Orange County Twenty-Fifth Anniversary

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County, a non-profit, non-partisan business and law related educational organization, whose mission is to involve and empower youth to be active responsible citizens; has provided interactive programs in a variety of formats outside the classroom, which promote the skills for mastery of the California State Standards for Language Arts and History/Social Science to over 10,000 students each year; and

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County Mock Trial program combines law related education with tournament style competition by teams from over forty different area high schools, involving students, judges, teachers, attorneys, and other community volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County administers the Orange County Peer Court Program, under the authority of the County of Orange in partnership with over 7,500 participants, which allows young offenders age 12-17 who have confessed to a misdemeanor to be sanctioned by their peers as an alternative to being directed through the juvenile justice system and also allowing students to have the educational tools to help them make responsible decisions; and

WHEREAS, the annual Business Issues Conference is presented by the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County, uses a workshop format of individual and panel presentations to stimulate interactive dialogue between student participants and business leaders representing a wide range of career and skills areas from corporate and entrepreneurial business practices to help prepare for a successful employment process; and

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County presents its annual Law Day Conference on topical Constitutional issues that relate to student experience and interests through workshop sessions attended by an average of 500 students who are encouraged to engage in interactive dialogue with expert moderators and panelists, and to address their rights as citizens and how these rights come with civic responsibility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS does hereby acknowledge the Constitutional Rights Foundation, Orange County for their twenty-five years of celebrated achievements in educating our youth in the areas of law, business and civic responsibility and wishes them much continued success.